

REMARKS

Claims 1-6, 8-14 and 16-23 are pending. Claims 1, 4, 10 and 18-23 are amended herein. No new matter is added as a result of the claim amendments. Support for the claim amendments can be found at least on page 5, line 15, and page 19, line 24, of the instant application.

103 Rejections

In the final rejection prior to the Notice of Allowance, the references cited included Matsuzaki et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,140,992), Kim et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,355,443), Singla et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,597,373), Dinwiddie et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,195,078), Yuki et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,805,149), Ogawa et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,018,331) and He et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,323,849).

Applicants respectfully submit that the references cited above, alone or in combination, do not show or suggest a fixed, active pixel border region with a width of less than 256 pixels, in particular a width of less than 10 pixels, and even more particularly a width of less than five pixels, as recited in the claims.

Therefore, Applicants respectfully submit that Claims 1-6, 8-14 and 16-23 are in condition for allowance.

Conclusions


In light of the above remarks, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of Claims 1-6, 8-14 and 16-23.

Applicants respectfully assert that Claims 1-6, 8-14 and 16-23 overcome the rejections of record and, therefore, Applicants respectfully solicit allowance of these claims.

The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned representative if the Examiner believes such action would expedite resolution of the present Application.

Respectfully submitted,

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